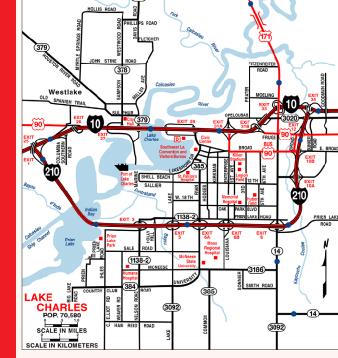
Cajun Country

drive the Creole Nature Trail National Scenic Byway, Wander through four museums depicting the history of Old Imperial Calcasieu Parish, the (337) 948-8004, (877) 948-8004. amous Sulphur Mines, the DeQuincy Railroad, plus a museum especially children. Try your luck at quarterhorse and thoroughbred racing, off-track betting, and four riverboat casinos on the lake. Contact:



Cameron Parish Area Go hunting, fishing, crabbing, shelling, and birdwatching on 36

miles of beaches in Cameron Parish. Stand before the Veterans Honor Wall in front of the Cameron Parish Courthouse. Contact: Cameron Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 388, Cameron, LA 70631, (337)

Jennings Area

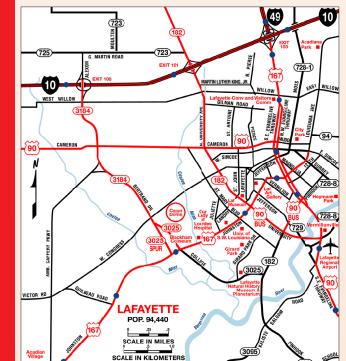
Come see unique museums, a replica of the state's first oil well, scenic byways, a wildlife refuge, a lake surrounded by 100-year-old moss-draped oaks, live alligators, and Rambeaux, our 100-year-old, & Gas Park, P.O. Box 1207, Jennings, LA 70546, (337) 821-5521, (800)

Allen Parish Area

Scenic Allen Parish offers the best canoeing in the state. Other attractions include Grant's Syrup-Making Mill and Christmas Tree Farm, Gamble's Muscadine Vineyards, the Fuller-Edwards Arboretum in Oakdale, and Grand Casino Coushatta. Contact: Allen Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 1280, Oberlin, LA 70655, (337) 639-4884, (888) 639-4868.

Lafayette Area

Taste real Cajun with a dash of Creole in Lafayette. You'll find authentic cuisine, Zydeco and Cajun music, and scenic swamplands. Tour plantations and folklife attractions like Acadian Village and Vermilionville. Other must-sees include the Acadian Cultural Center, the Alexandre Mouton House, and the Children's Museum of Acadiana. Contact: Lafayette Convention and Visitors Commission, P.O. Box 52066, Lafayette, LA 70505, (337) 232-3737, (800) 346-1958 USA; (800) 543-5340 Canada.



St. Martin Parish Area

St. Martin Parish, home to the Atchafalaya Basin, provides nearly every type of outdoor recreational activity imaginable. Bayou Teche meanders through Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breaux Bridge, Parks, and St. Martinville, each with a beautiful Catholic Church and above-ground cemetery. In St. Martinville, you'll find many buildings and homes with P.O. Box 278, Vinton, LA 70668-0278 the beautiful architecture and the Evangeline Oak made famous in Longfellow's poem. Contact: St. Martin Parish Tourist Commission, 314 E. Bridge St., Breaux Bridge, LA 70517, (337) 332-8500.

From the Liberty Theatre in Eunice, hosting the best Cajun and Zydeco nusic, to the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Grand Coteau, to the Atchafalaya gateway towns of Krotz Springs and Melville, St. Landry In Lake Charles, enjoy a tour of the Historic "Charpentier" District, or Parish captures the spirit of the people of Acadiana. Contact: St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 1415, Opelousas, LA 70571-1415,

Crowley Area

The elegant architecture of Crowley's huge Historic District, the charm Southwest Louisiana/Lake Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau, 1205 N. of the murals in Rayne, the amazing European-style castle in Mermentau, Lakeshore Drive, Lake Charles, LA 70601, (337) 436-9588 or (800) 456-7952. the Rice Museum and Blue Rose Museum in Crowley, and the tiny pilgrim's chapel in the German settlement called Roberts Cove are fascinating to visit. Contact: Acadia Parish Tourist Commission, 401 Tower Rd., Crowley, LA 70526, P.O. Box 1342, Crowley, La 70527, (337) 783-2108, (877) 783-2109.

Abbeville Area

Visit Vermilion Parish...a cornucopia of culture, history, and unique attractions. Enjoy a tour of Abbeville's Historic District which boasts 199 roperties listed on the National Register. Visit our culturally rich museums ocated in Erath, Abbeville, Kaplan, and Gueydan. Travel the Jean Lafitte Scenic Byway and enjoy abundant wildlife, hybrid daylilies, native irises, and diverse, agriculturally rich lands. Capitalize on some of the best irding spots in America. Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 1106, Abbeville, LA 70511-1106, (337) 898-6600, (318) 893-2491. Abbeville Ourist Center, 1905 Veterans Memorial Drive, Abbeville, LA 70510, (337)

New Iberia Area

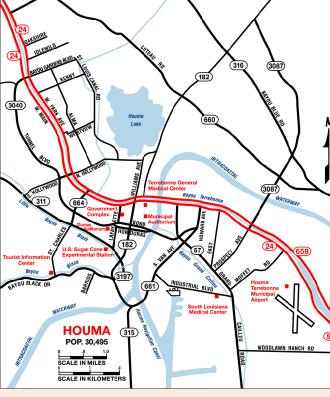
From the Historic District in New Iberia featuring Shadows-on-the-Teche and Episcopal Church of the Epiphany to the world famous FABASCO® Factory and Jungle Gardens on Avery Island, Iberia Parish has something for everyone. Stroll through Rip Van Winkle Gardens on Jefferson Island; enjoy an airboat ride on Lake Fausse Pointe; visit Conrad Rice Mill and browse through KONRIKO[®] Company Store; learn the history of Louisiana's sugar cane industry with a visit to the Jeanerette Auseum. Celebrate our "joie de vivre"! For more information, contact: Iberia Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, 2704 Highway 14, New Iberia, LA 70560, 1-888-9-IBERIA, (337) 365-1540.

Morgan City/Patterson Area

An adventure is waiting for you along the Cajun Coastline. Take a swamp tour, walk aboard an oil rig, or kick up your heels and taste our famous cuisine at the Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival. Stop by the aviation eum and relieve the excitement of the air races of the 1930's. Are you a romantic? Visit our stunning plantation homes. Take the scenic route (Hwy. 182) along the Bayou Teche and marvel at moss-draped oaks that are centuries old. For more information, contact: Cajun Coast Visitors and Convention Bureau, 112 Main St., Patterson, LA 70392, (504) 395-4905, (800)

Houma Area

Come experience swamp scenery, fresh- and saltwater fishing, and 100-pound turtle. Contact: Jeff Davis Parish Tourist Commission, LA Oil antebellum homes along seven bayous. Delight in Cajun food, music, and culture. Visit Houma's Native American communities. Contact: Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, 114 Tourist Drive, Gray, LA 70359, P.O. Box 2792, Houma, LA 70361, (504) 868-2732, (800) 688-2732.



Raceland Area

In the Raceland area, enjoy plantation homes, antique shops, swamp ours, and charter fishing. In Thibodaux, visit the Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center or Laurel Valley Village, an operating 19th-century sugar lantation. Contact: Lafourche Parish Tourist Commission. P.O. Box 340, Caceland, LA 70394-0340, (504) 537-5800, (877) 537-5800.

Grand Isle is the only inhabited barrier island in Louisiana. Year round, this small town has some of the best fishing in the world. Contact: Grand Isle Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 817, Grande Isle, LA 70358, (504)

Cajun Country State Welcome Centers I-10 Eastbound Vinton Welcome Center

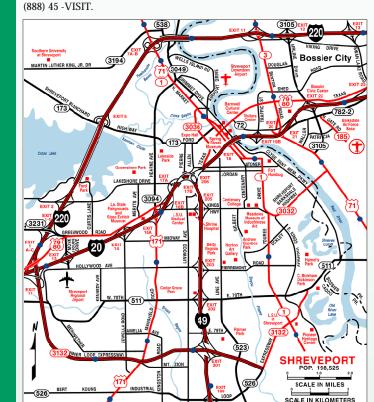
I-10 Eastbound at the State Line (337) 589-7774, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

All State Welcome Centers are open 7 days a week, excluding New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Sportsman's Paradise

Shreveport-Bossier City Area

Shreveport and Bossier City offer abundant shopping and fabulous specialty foods. Race to Louisiana Downs or "Roll on the Red River" with several dockside riverboat casinos. For family fun, a trip to Hamel's Amusement Park and Water Town U.S.A. is a must. Or enjoy a leisurely stroll through the Gardens of the American Rose Center and the Barnwell Garden and Art Center. Caddo and Bossier parishes offer ballet, opera, the symphony, galleries, and theater. Contact: Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, P.O.Box 1761, Shreveport, LA 71166, (318) 222-9391,



Webster Parish boasts superb hunting and fishing in beautiful Lake Bistineau, Caney Lakes, and Kisatchie National Forest. Minden is a historic town where old brick streets lead to the center of town. Contact: Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, P.O. Box 819, Minden, LA 71055,

Park in Claiborne Parish create a sportsman's haven. Attend country and oluegrass music shows or the annual rodeo. Contact: Homer Chamber of Commerce, 519 S. Main, Homer LA 71040, (318) 927-3271.



on Turkey Creek Lake. Contact: Franklin Parish Tourist Center, 3826

Front St., Winnsboro, LA 71295, (318) 435-7607. **Sportsman's Paradise State Welcome Centers** I-20 Eastbound Greenwood Welcome Center

Franklin Parish Area

Monroe-West Monroe Area

Begin your adventures at the Emy-Lou Biedenharn Foundation, nsisting of a Bible Museum and Research Center, the family home, and ELsong Gardens. Browse through the Masur Museum of Art. Discover West Monroe's Antique Alley. Enjoy a cruise aboard the Twin City Queen

on the Ouachita River or a family outing at Louisiana Purchase Gardens

and Zoo. Contact: Monroe/West Monroe Convention & Visitors Bureau,

see the 1899 Depot Museum and 1939 wooden caboose, or visit Lynn

Creek Winery. Contact: Union Parish Tourist Commission, 409 Fourth

Drive the Bienville Trace, Poverty Point Parkway, and Grant's March

drive to prehistoric Poverty Point State Historic Site. A seven-mile drive

National Register Historic District. Contact: Byerley House Visitors and

Madison Parish, a thriving agricultural area, is also rich in Civil War

history. Of special note is the Battle of Milliken's Bend the first conflict

involving an entire company of African-American soldiers. Madison

Parish is the home of the 65,000-acre Tensas National Wildlife Refuge.

Franklin Parish lies within Louisiana Cotton Country. Visitors enjoy

around harvest time. Outdoor recreation is found in the Boeuf area and

miles of landscape that blossom with the whiteness of a snowfall

Contact: Madison Parish/Hermione Museum, Box 268, Tallulah, LA

Community Center, 600 Lake Street, Lake Providence, LA 71254, (318)

along a cypress-studded oxbow lake (Lake Providence) leads to our

Scenic Byways along the natural landscape of East Carroll Parish. Experience Louisiana cotton and Mississippi River delta culture as you

St., P.O. Box 328, Bernice, LA 71222, (318) 285-9333.

Lake Providence Area

Madison Parish Area

71284, (318) 574-0082, (318) 574-1230.

Lincoln Parish Area

home of the Louisiana

Passion Play. Three State

Parks, with record bass

21-mile radius of Ruston.

Contact: Ruston/Lincoln

Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, P.O. Box

1383, (318) 255-2031,

Bernice Area

Lake D'Arbonne, a new State Park, as well

(800) 392-9032.

fishing, are within a

Visit Lincoln Parish,

P.O. Box 6054, Monroe, LA 71211-6054, (800) 843-1872, (318) 387-5691.

I-20 Eastbound at the State Line P.O. Box 207, Greenwood, LA 71033-0207

(318) 938-5613, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. I-20 West Mound Welcome Center I-20 West at the State Line

(318) 574-5674, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. All State Welcome Centers are open

7 days a week, excluding New Year's Day

Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.



Crossroads

Many Area

Fish Toledo Bend, a 186,000-acre man-made reservoir. Play a round on Cypress Bend Golf Course or Emerald Hills. Tour Hodges Gardens, a Garden in the Forest". Be transported back in time in the village of Fisher. Contact: Sabine Parish Tourist Commission, 920 Fisher Road, Many, LA 71449, (318) 256-5880, (800) 358-7802.

Leesville Area

Water-sports enthusiasts can find fun at Vernon Lake, Anacoco Lake or world-famous Toledo Bend Reservoir. History buffs can browse throug the Museum of West Louisiana and the Vernon Parish Courthouse in Leesville. Kisatchie National Forest offers Little Cypress Pond, Fullerton Lake, or Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Areas. Contact: Vernon Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 1228, Leesville, LA 71496-1228, (337) 238-0783.

Beauregard Parish Area

Beauregard Parish offers abundant hunting, fishing, and birding opportunities. Half of the birds of North America migrate to Southwest Louisiana. DeRidder, Hub of West Louisiana Canoe Country, is surrounded by marvelous waterways. Contact Beauregard Parish Tourist Commission, Box 1174, DeRidder, LA 70634, (337) 463-5534 or (800) 738-5534.

Natchitoches Area

as Upper Ouachita Natchitoches, the oldest permanent settlement in the Louisiana /D'Arbonne National Purchase Territory (1714), offers the largest assortment of Creole Wildlife Refuges and architecture in the Mississippi Valley; Cane River Lake; a Historic Union Wildlife Landmark District; author Kate Chopin's home; Fort St. Jean Baptiste State Management Area offer Historic Site; Melrose, Magnolia, and Beau Fort plantations; and more. a variety of outdoor Contact: Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission, 781 Front Street, Natchitoches, LA 71457, (318) 352-8072, (800) 259-1714. activities. In Bernice,

Winnfield Area

Winnifield was the hometown of three governors. Here you can visit he Old Louisiana and Arkansas Depot which houses three museums in one. Nearby Kisatchie National Forest offers picnic areas and trails in peautiful natural settings. Contact: Winn Parish Tourist Commission, 499 E. Main St., Winnfield, LA 71483, (318) 628-5928.

Alexandria/Pineville Area Enjoy attractions such as the Alexandria Zoological Gardens, Kent House Plantation. Kisatchie National Forest Wild Azalea National Recreational Trail, Loyd Hall Plantation (it's haunted!), and River Oaks Square Arts Center. Contact: Alexandria/Pineville Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, 707 Main Street, Alexandria, LA 71301, (800) 551-9546.

Avoyelles Parish Area

Avoyelles Parish is rich in French/Acadian traditions and in Native American Culture, preserved at the Marksville State Historic Site and the Funica-Biloxi Indian Center & Museum. Over 20,000 acres of lakes, payous, and rivers provide abundant fish and game. There are two welcome centers for tourist information: Defosse House, c.1790, in Mansura and Hypolite Bordelon House, c.1820, in Marksille. Landbased casino gambling is offered as well. Contact: Avoyelles Commission of Tourism, P.O. Box 24, 208 S. Main, Marksville, LA 71351, (800) 833-4195 or (318)



Concordia Parish Area

Concordia Parish offers Lake St. John and Lake Concordia, a trophy bass lake. Wild game is abundant in Three Rivers and Red River State Wildlife Management Areas, and Bayou Cocodrie National Refuge. Many agricultural tours are available. Tacony Plantation is rich in African-American history. Ferriday has a new museum showcasing its musical heritage. Contact: Concordia Parish Tourist Commission, Vidalia Welcome Center, 1401 Carter Street, Vidalia, LA 71373, (318)

SCALE IN MILES

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Grant Parish offers the Glen Emery Nature Trail. Colfax, Pollock, and Montgomery feature several homes built at the turn of the century Contact: Grant Parish Tourist Commission, 305 Main St., Colfax, LA

Crossroads State Welcome Centers U.S. 84 Vidalia Welcome Center

1401 Carter Street, Vidalia, LA 71373 (318) 336-7008, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

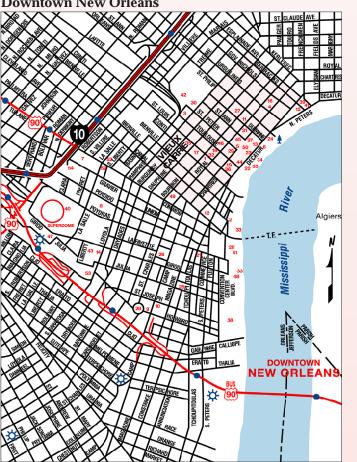
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Greater New Orleans

New Orleans Area

Enjoy carriage tours in the French Quarter, streetcar rides in the Garden District, and riverboat cruises on the Mighty Mississippi. The city offers historic homes, an internationally renowned zoo and aquarium, shopping, a variety of museums, and casinos. In Jefferson Parish, enjoy swamp tours, a visit to Rivertown U.S.A., or the National Historic Districts of Algiers Point and Gretna. Contact: New Orleans Metropolitan Convention & Visitors Bureau, 1520 Sugar Bowl Drive, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 566-5011, (800) 672-6124.





City Hall & Civil Court Contemporary Arts ornstalk Fence 4. Federal Buildings 5. French Market/ Farmers

15. French Market/ Farmers
Market
16. Gallier House
17. Hermann-Grima Historic
House
18. Historic New Orleans
Collection
19. Historic Pharmaceutical
Museum

Municipal Auditorium
31. Madame John's Legacy
32. Miro House
33. Mississippi River Cruise:
34. Moon Walk
35. Musee Conti Wax
Museum
36. Napoleon House &
Museum

 Louisiana Children's Museum 26. Lafayette Square 27. Lafitte's Blacksmith Shop 29. Le Petit Theatre du 29. Le Petit Theatre du Vieux Carre
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48. Riverwalk 49. St. Charles Avenue Center
53. Union Passenger
Terminal
54. V.A. Hospital

Plaquemines Parish Area Plaquemines Parish is a peninsula surrounded by the Gulf of Mexico. Charter fishing boats depart from Venice and Empire. Historic Fort Jackson is located on Highway 23. Contact: Plaquemines Parish

St. Tammany Parish Area

70037, (504) 394-0018.

St. Tammany Parish offers fishing, boating, golf, and swamp tours. The Tammany Trace is available for bicycling, horseback riding, skating, walking, and jogging. Visit historic Covington, Madisonville, Mandeville, Lacombe, and Olde Towne Slidell. Contact: Tammany Parish Tourist and Convention Commission, 68099 Highway 59 (at I -12), Mandeville, LA 70471, (504) 892-0520, (800) 634-9443.

Economic Development and Tourism, P.O. Box 937, Belle Chasse, LA

SLIDELL

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SCALE IN MILES

Tangipahoa Parish Area

Tangipahoa Parish offers a 1000-foot swamp walk, an alligator farm, a 900-acre exotic animal safari, antiques, museums, and historic districts. Camp Moore Confederate Museum keeps history alive. Contact: Tangipahoa Parish Tourist and Film Commission, 42271 S. Morrison Boulevard, Hammond, LA 70403, (504) 542-7520, (800) 542-7520.

Greater New Orleans State Welcome Centers I-10 West Slidell Welcome Center 41300 Crawford Landing Road, Slidell, LA 70461

(504) 646-6451, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. New Orleans Welcome Center

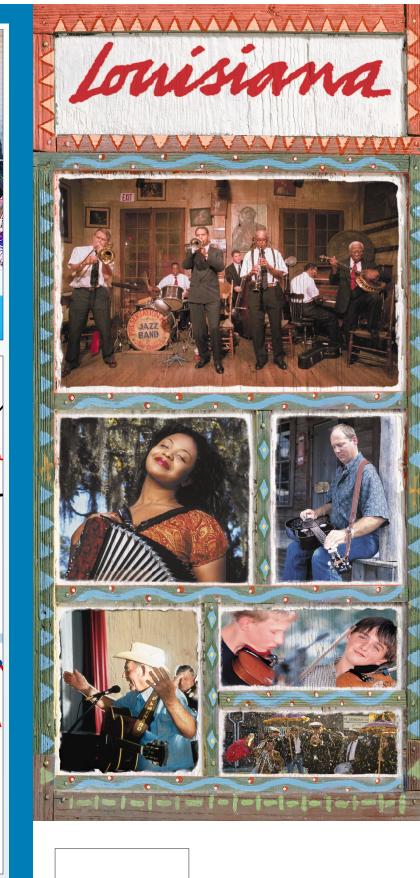
529 St. Ann Street, New Orleans, LA 70116 (504) 568-5661, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

I-59 Pearl River Welcome Center I-59 at the State Line P.O. Drawer 1539, Pearl River, LA 70452

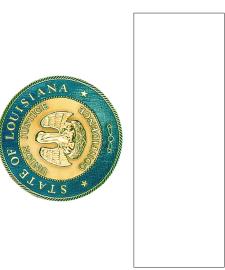
(504) 646-6450, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

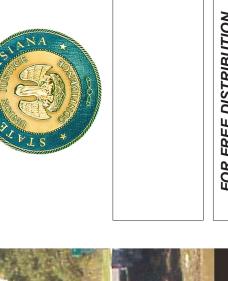
I-55 Kentwood Welcome Center I-55 at the State Line P.O. Box 11, Kentwood, LA 70444 (504) 229-8338, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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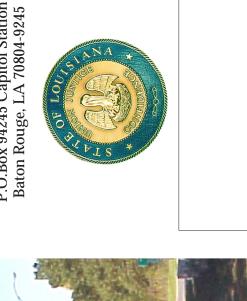


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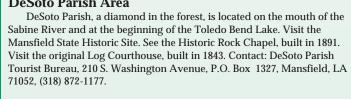






Webster Parish Area (800) 2-MINDEN. Claiborne Parish Area Extensive forests, fields, streams, Corney Lake, and Lake Claiborne State

DeSoto Parish Area DeSoto Parish, a diamond in the forest, is located on the mouth of the abine River and at the beginning of the Toledo Bend Lake. Visit the





Plantation Country Baton Rouge Area In Louisiana's state capital, you can tour Magnolia Mound, the Rural Life Museum, the U.S.S. *Kidd* and Nautical History Center, and the Old



West Baton Rouge Area Live the history of days gone by at the West Baton Rouge Museum in Port Allen. Photograph the Mighty Mississippi from atop the Port Allen Lock wall. Contact: West Baton Rouge Parish Tourist Commission, 2855 I-10 Frontage Road (I-10 at LA Hwy. 415), Port Allen

Plaquemine Area

Historic downtown Plaquemine has a number of historically significant buildings to see. Point Pleasant is home to the smallest church in the world. North and East Iberville each offer historic homes, churches, and general stores. Contact: Iberville Department of Tourism,

P.O. Box 389, Plaquemine, LA 70765, (225) 687-5190.

LA 70767, (800) 654-9701, (225) 344-2920.

Pointe Coupée Parish Area French Creole Pointe Coupée Parish was settled in the early 1700s and today displays a wealth of history, culture, and beauty. Take a eisurely drive along beautiful False River, fish for trophy bass, or take a party barge ride and enjoy the sunset on the Fausse Riviere. Contact: Pointe Coupée Office of Tourism, P.O. Box 733, New Roads, LA 70760, (225) 638-3998 or fax (225) 638-3915.

St. Francisville Area

Visit St. Francisville where our antebellum plantations and townhomes are gems. Enjoy the Walk Through History tour that interprets over 140 structures on the Register of Historic Places, including churches and cemeteries. Visit magnificent Rosedown Plantation and The Myrtles. Contact: West Feliciana Parish Tourist Commission, P.O. Box 1548, St. Francisville, LA 70775, (225) 635-6769.



English Louisiana's Plantation Country offers Port Hudson State Historic Site, the Parish Courthouse and Lawyers Row, Centenary State Historic Site, Feliciana Cellars Winery, and Milbank Historic House. Contact: East Feliciana Commission, P.O. Box 667, Jackson, LA 70748,

Ascension Parish Area

The quaint towns of Ascension Parish are surrounded by sprawling sugar cane fields and beautiful cypress swamplands. Visit Gonzales for antique and outlet shopping. Tour an Acadian village in Sorrento, then discover our antebellum plantations: Houmas House, Tezcuco (featuring its African-American museum), Bocage, and l'Hermitage. Contact: Ascension Parish Tourist Commission, 6470 Highway 22, Suite A, Sorrento, LA 70778, (225) 675-6550, (888) 775-7990.

Gramercy Area

Visit historic St. James Historical Society Museum where tourist nformation is available. On the grounds you will find an old post office, locomotive, train station, blacksmith shop, and more. Laura, the American Home of Br'er Rabbit, was built in 1805. At Oak Alley Plantation, marvel at twenty-eight live oaks over 250 years old. Contact: St. James Historical Society, P.O. Box 426, Gramercy, LA 70052, (225) 869-9752.

LaPlace Area

Visit plantation homes, Creole cottages, and centuries-old cemeteries Home of the world famous Andouille (aan-doo-wee) Sausage and the oldest operating sugar cane refinery in the U.S., c. 1802. Contact St. John Parish Economic Development Department, 1801 W. Airline Highway, LaPlace, LA 70068, (504) 652-9569.

St. Charles Parish Area

St. Charles Parish is natural for water sports of any kind. Come see Destrehan and Ormond plantations. Take a serene drive through fishing villages like Bayou Gauche. Contact: St. Charles Parish Economic Development Department, P.O. Box 302, Hahnville, LA 70057, 504) 783- 5140.

Plantation Country State Welcome Centers State Capitol Welcome Center Louisiana State Capitol, State Capitol Drive at Third Street P.O. Box 94291, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9291

(225) 342-7317, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. U.S. 61 St. Francisville Welcome Center 14869 Highway 61

St. Francisville, LA 70775 (225) 635-6962, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m All State Welcome Centers are open 7 days a week, excluding New Year's Day, Easter,

Thanksgiving, and Christmas

Ashland Belle Helene, Geismar.

Milbank, Jackson. 225/634-5901.

Destrehan Plantation, Destrehan, 504/764-9315.

Houmas House Plantation, Burnside 225/423-7841.

Glencoe, near Jackson.

Greenwood Plantation, St. Francisville Area. 225/655-4475.

Madewood Plantation, Napoleonville, 225/369-7151.
Magnolia Mound Plantation, Baton Rouge. 225/343-4955.



Catalpa Plantation, St. Francisville Area. 225/635-3372. The Cottage, St. Francisville Area. 225/635-3674.

15. Oakley House (Audubon State Commemorative Area), St Francisville Area, 225/635-3739, 16. Parlange Plantation, near New Roads, 225/638-8410.17. Rosedown Plantation and Gardens, St. Francisville. 18. San Francisco Plantation. Reserve 504/535-2341

20. Laura-A Creole Plantation, Vacherie. 225/265-7690.

12. The Myrtles Plantation, St. Francisville Area, 225/635-6277 Nottoway Plantation, White Castle, 225/545-2730.